Finance Corporation have been pending for investigation with Central Vigilance Commission and Chief Vigilance Officers for the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof stating the reasons for their pendency and by when the process of investigation into these complaints is likely to be completed alongwith the present position of the cases;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain officers against whom complaints are pending investigations, are likely to be promoted; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Question do not arise.

Handicapped Welfare Centres in Rajasthan

†2757. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Handicapped Welfare Centres in Rajasthan;

(b) the details of the facilities given to handicapped persons by National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation;

(c) the latest position of the progress made by it;

(d) whether Government propose to formulate a clear national policy for handicapped persons;

(e) if so, by when; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) One District Disability Rehabilitation Centre and one District rehabilitation Centre are providing comprehensive rehabiliation services to the persons with disabilities in the State of Rajasthan. Besides, 22 Non-Government Organizations has been given assistance during 2001-02 under the scheme

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of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment to promote voluntary action for persons with disabilities.

(b) and (c) To promote economic rehabilitation of the persons with disabilities, the National Handicapped Finance & Development Corporation (NHFDC) provides concessional loans for self employment and income generating activities. The NHFDC has disbursed Rs. 1284.32 lakh to 3015 beneficiaries during 2001-02.

(d) to (f) The National Policy on Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation is at an advanced stage of formulation.

National Trust for welfare of persons with Autism

2758. SHRIMATI GURCHARAN KAUR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the objective of National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, etc. and since when it is functional;

(b)the programmes/schemes being run by the Trust and amount spent under each scheme/programme, so far;

(c) the appraisals, if any, of schemes/programmes to asses the actual flow of benefit to the target groups and outcome thereof;

(d) the manpower in position in the Trust as against authorized/ sanctioned strength and whether this is not affecting proper examination of schemes/programmes which involve spending of Government money; and

(e) the remedial steps proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) The objectives of the National Trust are given in Statement. I (*See* below). The Trust started functioning in July, 2000.

(b) The programmes/schemes being run by the Trust and the amount spent so far is as under:—

Name of the Scheme	Amount released
1. Establishment of Relief Institutions	Rs. 2,21,12,043
2. Training of care givers	Rs. 42,68,880